

Regular Council Meeting of November 2, 2021

Present were: Mayor Neal, Councilmembers Naillon, Marthaller, and Hart.
Councilmembers McElheran and Moser attended via speakerphone.
Absent: None.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Neal. Pledge of Allegiance given.
Copies of the October 19th council meeting minutes were read and approved.

2nd reading of Ordinance #916, amending the 2021 budget. Clerk Denney explained that the budget amendment is needed due to the Christian Johnson Annuity Funds that were processed through the City to the Johnson Estate, increasing the current expense fund by \$35,000. Motion by Naillon, second by Hart that Ordinance #916 be approved; motion carried.

Superintendent Thompson updated the Council on the status of the new garbage truck; Thompson stated that it should be delivered within the next two weeks.

Public Hearing – 2022 City Property Tax Revenues (Ad Valorem). Ordinance #917 allows for an increase in the regular property tax levy to be collected in 2022; the increase over last year is \$3,165. 2022 levy amount will be \$322,795. Motion by Hart and second by Naillon that Ordinance #917 be adopted as read; motion carried.

Public Hearing – 2022 EMS Property Tax Revenues (Ad Valorem). Ordinance #918 allows for an increase in the regular property tax levy to be collected in 2022; the increase over last year is \$576. 2022 levy amount will be \$58,736. Motion by Naillon and second by Hart that Ordinance #918 be adopted as read; motion carried.

Civil Service member reappointment request received. Civil Service Commission requested that Mike Sibley be reappointed to his position effective January 1, 2022; term for the position is 6 years. Mayor Neal reappointed Sibley; Council confirmed appointment.

City Hall 2021 Holiday Closure request presented by Clerk Denney; City Hall staff is requesting permission to close the City Hall at noon on Wednesday prior to Thanksgiving and be closed on Thursday, December 23rd prior to the Christmas Holiday December 24th. Motion by Naillon, second by Marthaller that the request be approved; motion carried. Clerk Denney thanked the Mayor and Council for their approval, it is greatly appreciated by City Hall staff.

WSLCB Renewal Application notice received for Frontier Foods and the Quik Mart; no comments.

NCWNTF participation reconsideration request received from Aaron Culp, Okanogan County Undersheriff; brief discussion held on the agreement. Clerk Denney to request that Undersheriff Culp attend an upcoming meeting to further discuss the agreement.

Motion by McElheran and second by Marthaller the vouchers \$19,933.31, #29639-29664, be paid, manual checks \$1,154.86, Checking Account #29556, 29593-29598, be paid, the October 31, 2021 payroll of \$71,288.46, #29599-29638, Direct Deposit Run, EFT #202142-202143, be approved and the meeting be adjourned at 7:10 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes approved _____

Mayor

Clerk